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IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

Applicant: Hideaki UMEYAMA et al.
Title: LIGAND SEARCHING DEVICE, LIGAND SEARCHING METHOD,
PROGRAM, AND RECORDING MEDIUM
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RESPONSE TO ELECTION OF SPECIES REQUIREMENT

Mail Stop Amendment
Commissioner for Patents
P.O. Box 1450
Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

Sir:

In response to the election requirement set forth in the Office Action mailed March 24, 2010, Applicant hereby provisionally elects Species B, Claims 10, 20 and 30, for examination, without traverse. Claims 1-7, 9, 11-17, 19, 21-27, 29 and 31 are generic.

Applicants reserve the right to file one or more divisional applications directed to the subject matter of non-elected claims.

The Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge any additional fees which may be required regarding this application under 37 C.F.R. §§ 1.16-1.17, or credit any overpayment, to Deposit Account No. 19-0741. Should no proper payment be enclosed herewith, as by a check being in the wrong amount, unsigned, post-dated, otherwise improper or informal or even entirely missing or a credit card payment form being unsigned, providing incorrect information resulting in a rejected credit card transaction, or even entirely missing, the

Commissioner is authorized to charge the unpaid amount to Deposit Account No. 19-0741. If any extensions of time are needed for timely acceptance of papers submitted herewith, Applicant hereby petitions for such extension under 37 C.F.R. §1.136 and authorizes payment of any such extension fees to Deposit Account No. 19-0741.

Respectfully submitted,

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